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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

Full Spectrum Operations in the Homeland: A "Vision" of the Future

By Kevin Benson and Jennifer Weber

The U.S. Army's Operating Concept addresses how the Army will conduct full spectrum operations (Training and Doctrine Command, The Army Operating Concept 2016 – 2028, TRADOC Pamphlet 525-3-1 dated 19 August 2010). Full spectrum operations includes operations on U.S. soil.

In this paper, a group of reactionaries take over a strategically positioned town with the tacit support of local law enforcement and state government officials, right up to the governor. Under present law [the Posse Comitatus Act], which stemmed from bad feelings about Reconstruction, the military's domestic role is highly circumscribed. Even though the governor refuses to seek federal help, the Constitution allows the president broad leeway in times of insurrection. Citing Lincoln during the Civil War and Eisenhower sending troops to Little Rock in 1957, the president mobilizes the military and the Department of Homeland Security, to regain control of the city.

The scenario. In 2012, the governing party cuts off all funding dedicated to boosting the economy or toward relief. By 2016, unemployment hovers close to double digits. After years of race-baiting by right-wing demagogues, nearly one in five Americans reports being vehemently opposed to immigration, legal or illegal, and even U.S.-born nonwhites have become occasional targets for mobs of angry whites.

In May 2016 an extremist militia motivated by the "tea party" movement takes Darlington, South

Carolina, placing the mayor under house arrest. Many law enforcement officials are sympathetic to the tea party's agenda and do not challenge the takeover.

Next, militia members establish "check points" on Interstate highways I-95 and I-20; rail lines are searched, allegedly for "illegal aliens." Citizens who complain are detained. Activists collect "tolls" from drivers, ostensibly to maintain public schools and various city and county programs, but evidence suggests the money is going toward heavy weapons and ammunition. They also use the town web site and social media sites to get their message out unrestricted.

Leaders of the group invoke the Declaration of Independence and argue that the current federal government is not deriving its "just powers from the consent of the governed" but is actually "destructive to these ends." Therefore, they say, the people can replace it with another that, in the words of the Declaration, "shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness." While mainstream politicians and citizens react with alarm, the "tea party" insurrectionists in South Carolina enjoy a groundswell of support from other tea party groups, militias, racist organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan, anti-immigrant associations such as the Minutemen, and other right-wing groups. At the press conference the masked militia members' uniforms sport a unit seal with a man wearing a tricorn hat and carrying a musket over the motto "Today's Minutemen." When asked who are the "red coats" the spokesman answered, "I don't know who the redcoats are...it could be federal troops." Experts warn that the groups pose a genuine national threat.

The governor, who ran on a platform that professed sympathy with tea party goals, refuses to call out the National Guard. Privately, he asks the federal government to restore order.

After the Department of Justice states that the conditions in Darlington and surrounding areas meet the conditions of the Insurrection Act, the President invokes it.

(From Title 10 US Code the President may use the militia or Armed Forces to:

§ 331 – Suppress an insurrection against a State government at the request of the Legislature or, if not in session, the Governor.

§ 332 – Suppress unlawful obstruction or rebellion against the U.S.

§ 333 – *Suppress insurrection or domestic violence if it (1) hinders the execution of the laws to the extent that a part or class of citizens are deprived of Constitutional rights and the State is unable or refuses to protect those rights or (2) obstructs the execution of any Federal law or impedes the course of justice under Federal laws.)*

The President calls on the insurrectionists to disperse peacefully within 15 days. There is no violation of the Posse Comitatus Act [yet]. The President calls the S.C. National Guard to federal service. The Joint Staff in Washington, D.C., alerts U.S. Northern Command, the headquarters responsible for the defense of North America. Northern Command alerts U.S. Army North/Fifth U.S. Army. Army units at Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Stewart, Ga.; and Marines at Camp Lejeune, N.C. go on alert.

"Fix Darlington, but don't destroy it!" The Fifth Army staff begins with mission analysis and intelligence preparation of the battlefield (IPB). In developing the intelligence estimate

planners will confront the first constraints on the conduct of full spectrum operations in the U.S.

Executive Order 12333, U.S. Intelligence Activities, dated 4 December 1981, relates mostly to intelligence gathering outside the continental U.S. However, it also outlines permissible information-gathering within the U.S. and on American citizens and permanent resident aliens. The Fifth Army intelligence analysts will have a great deal of difficulty determining tea party members' legal status. The military will have to rely on local and state law enforcement officials to establish intelligence data-bases and ultimately restore the rule of law in Darlington.

Using all intelligence disciplines from human intelligence to signals intelligence, the Fifth Army G2 will collect as much information as needed to accomplish the mission. Once the rule of law is restored the Fifth Army G2 must ensure that it destroys information gathered within 90 days unless the law or the Secretary of Defense requires the Fifth Army to keep it for use in legal cases (Field Manual 3-28, *Civil Support Operations*.)

All federal military forces involved in civil support must follow the standing rules for the use of force (SRUF) specified by the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. Much like the rules of force issued to the 7th Infantry Division during operations in Los Angeles in 1992 the underlying principle involves a graduated level of response determined by civilians' behavior.

Once the Fifth Army commander has a complete picture of activity within the town and especially of the insurrectionists' patterns of behavior, deployment of combat, combat support and combat service support forces will begin.

The pace of the operation needs to be deliberate and controlled. Combat units will conduct overt Show of Force operations to remind the insurrectionists they are now facing professional military forces. Army and Marine units will remove road blocks and check points both overtly and covertly with minimum force to ratchet up pressure continually on insurrectionist leadership. Federal forces tighten the noose as troops secure power and water stations, radio and TV stations, and hospitals.

War, and the use of federal military force on U.S. soil, remains an

extension of policy by other means. The federal government must defeat the insurrection, preferably with minimum force.

Given the array of threats and adversaries; from "commando-style" raids such as Mumbai, the changing face of militias in the U.S., rising unrest in Mexico, and the tendency to the extreme in American politics the subject of how American armed forces will conduct security and defense operations within the continental U.S. must be addressed in the curricula of our Staff and War Colleges. (*The Kansas City Star*, 12 September 2010, *"The New Militia."* *The front page story concerns the changing tactics of militia movements and how militias now focus on community service and away from violence against the government. Law enforcement agencies feel this is camouflage for true intentions. The story covered armed paramilitary militias in Missouri and Kansas.*)

We cannot discount the agility of an external threat, the evolution of Al Qaeda for example, and its ability to take advantage of a "Darlington event" within U.S. borders.

In 1933 then Colonel George Marshall criticized the education that the Army Command and General Staff College provided as inadequate to "the chaotic state of affairs in the first few months of a campaign with a major power." We must continue on the path of ensuring the avoidance of the "chaotic state of affairs" in the opening moments of future campaigns, defending the nation from within and without. As Dr. Sebastian L. v. Gorka wrote in *Joint Forces Quarterly* (p. 33), "[N]o concepts are immune to critique and reappraisal when it comes to securing the homeland."

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-- *Small Wars Journal*, July 25, 2012

Excerpt from the Washington Times editorial August 7, 2012: "Twenty years ago, then-Air Force Lt. Col. Charles J. Dunlap Jr. created a stir with an article in

Parameters titled "The Origins of the American Military Coup of 2012." It carried a disclaimer that the coup scenario was "purely a literary device intended to dramatize my concern over certain contemporary developments affecting the armed forces, and is emphatically not a prediction."

The scenario presented in *Small Wars Journal* isn't a literary device but an operational lay-down intended to present the rationale and mechanisms for Americans to fight Americans. Col. Benson and Ms. Weber contend, "Army officers are professionally obligated to consider the conduct of operations on U.S. soil." This is a dark, pessimistic and wrongheaded view of what military leaders should spend their time studying.

A professor at the Joint Forces Staff College was relieved of duty in June for uttering the heresy that the U.S. is at war with Islam. The Obama administration contended the professor had to be relieved because what he was teaching was not U.S. policy. Because there is no disclaimer attached to the *Small Wars* piece, it is fair to ask, at least in Col. Benson's case, whether his views reflect official policy regarding the use of U.S. military force against American citizens.

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"This nation, as experience has proved, cannot always remain at peace, and has no right to expect that it will always have wise and humane rulers, sincerely attached to the principles of the Constitution. Wicked men, ambitious of power, with hatred of liberty and contempt of law, may fill the place once occupied by Washington and Lincoln; and if this right is conceded, and the calamities of war again befall us, the dangers to human liberty are frightful to contemplate." (*Ex parte Milligan*, 71 U.S. 2, 125 (1866))

The Stage of Islamic Weakness and the Stage of Jihad or "Holy War"

Mohammed Hassanein Heikal, the noted Egyptian author, refers to this concept in his *Autumn Furor*. He states:

"So, the element of Jihad emerged in the ideology of Abul Aala Ahmaudoody. He went on to differentiate between two separate stages a Muslim community goes through: The stage of weakness – In it a Muslim community is unable to take

In the beginning of change the patriot is a scarce man, brave, hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot. – Mark Twain

charge of its own destiny. In this case, according to his thinking, they must withdraw for the purpose of preparing themselves to be capable of executing the second stage. The Jihad stage – The time will come when the Islamic community has completed its preparedness and is ready to come out of its isolation to take charge, through Jihad.”

Ahmaudoody also compares the two stages of weakness and Jihad with Mohammad's struggle in Mecca, then in Medina.

Historians agree that there is a big difference between Mohammad's personality in Mecca and his personality after his migration to Medina. In Mecca he was weak, struggling to be accepted, often mocked and ridiculed. He tried to appeal to them by being like Jesus, compassionate and loving. His teachings condemned violence, injustice and neglect of the poor. However, after he moved to Medina and his followers grew in strength and number, he became a relentless warrior, intent on spreading Islam by the sword. This change in Mohammad's personality becomes apparent by comparing the Meccan and Medinan suras of the Quran. The following are some examples:

In Sura 73:10 Allah tells Mohammad to be patient with his opponents, “Be patient with what they say, and part from them courteously.” While in Sura 2:191 Allah orders him to kill his opponents, “kill them wherever you find them, and drive them out from wherever they drove you out.”

In Sura 2:256 Allah tells Mohammad not to impose Islam by force, “There is no compulsion in religion”, while in verse 193 Allah tells him to kill whoever rejects Islam, “Fight (kill) them until there is no persecution and the religion is Allah's.”

In Sura 29:46 Allah tells Mohammad to speak nicely to the people of the Book (Christians and Jews). “Argue with people of the book, other than evil doers, only by means of what are better! And say, we believe in what has been sent down to us and sent down to you. Our God is the same as your God, and we are surrendered to Him.” While in Sura 9:29 Allah tells him to fight the people of the book, “Fight those who do not believe in Allah and the last day...and fight People of the Book, who do not accept the religion of truth (Islam) until they pay tribute by hand, being inferior”.

To justify this sudden change in the Quran's mood from peaceful to militant, conciliatory to

confrontational, Mohammad claimed that It was Allah who told him so. It was Allah who abrogated the peaceful verses and replaced them with harsh ones. However, the truth of the matter, as Almaudoody puts it, is that Mohammad became strong enough to move from the stage of weakness to the stage of Jihad.

Today, in the West, we are witnessing the Islamic stage of weakness, but let's not be fooled, the stage of Jihad is coming sooner or later. This meek little lamb will turn out to be a ravenous wolf, and the sweet melodious “baa baa” will change to a thunderous growling roar.

-- “Bloody Islam, A Religion of the Sword”, Aggressive Christianity Missions Training Corps, HC 60, Box 11, Fence Lake, NM 87315. Email: livingword@aggressivechristianity.net
“Join the Army that sheds no blood”

Muslim parents convicted of murdering daughter

LONDON (AP) - Justice Roderick Evans sentenced Iftikhar, 52, and Farzana Ahmed, 49, to life in prison for killing their daughter, Shafiea, in 2003. The couple - first cousins from the Pakistani village of Uttam - were ordered to serve a minimum of 25 years in prison.

In Britain, more than 25 women have been killed in so-called “honor killings” in the past decade.

During the trial, jurors heard from Shafiea's younger sister, Alesha, who said she witnessed the murder when she was 12.

After an argument about Shafiea's dress, her parents pushed her down on a couch, stuffed a thin white plastic bag into her mouth and held their hands over her mouth and nose until she died, Alesha testified.

Although Shafiea's other siblings contradicted the testimony, the last-minute emergence of a diary convinced jurors.

“The strong message goes out and should be very clear: If you engage in honor killings — if you engage in forced marriages — you will be caught and brought to justice,” said Mohammed Shafiq, chief executive of the Manchester-based Ramadhan Foundation, a Muslim organization.

In February 2003, Shafiea ran away and pleaded with British authorities to allow her to move out of her parents' house because, she said, they were abusive and trying to force her into an arranged marriage.

In the application form to move out, she said she had suffered

from regular domestic violence from the age of 15.

Her father took her to Pakistan against her will, Alesha said.

In protest, Shafiea drank bleach. She spent eight weeks in the hospital trying to recover from damage done to her throat.

One night, her parents complained she was wearing a T-shirt and wasn't properly covered up, according to Alesha. The younger sister said Shafiea struggled as her parents held her down.

Alesha described that after the attack, her siblings ran upstairs and she watched as her father carried Shafiea's body to the car wrapped in a blanket. She was reported missing shortly after, with her parents making a teary-eyed media appeal for information leading to their daughter.

Shafiea's decomposed remains were discovered in the River Kent in Cumbria in February 2004, but it wasn't until 2010 that Alesha provided the key testimony.

Last year, the British government's Forced Marriage Unit investigated more than 1,400 cases of forced marriages, most of which occur in Muslim communities. Britain is home to more than 1.8 million Muslims, most from Pakistani roots.

-- apnews.myway.com Aug. 3, 2012

Ed.: note that Mr. Shafiq, the Muslim chief executive, expressed neither disapproval of the murder nor compassion for the victim. He merely stated that (under British law) offenders will be brought to justice. Under Sharia law, that is, Muslim law, for which British Muslims are agitating, there very well could be no punishment at all.

Arms Trade Treaty ends without agreement

The weeks-long conference at the United Nations to produce an Arms Trade Treaty is ending without the creation of a treaty.

[However] the 2001 UN Programme of Action on Small Arms remains in effect. Over the last two decades, a large gun control infrastructure has grown up in the UN, not only in the headquarters building, but also within many of the UN various commissions and departments. Likewise, there are a significant number of NGOs which have a strong commitment to global gun control, and to using international law and the UN to solve what they consider to be the problem of excessive gun ownership in the United States. The NGOs and their UN allies have successfully used the

2001 PoA to sharply restrict gun ownership in some parts of the world, and they would have used the ATT for the same purpose. That they did not succeed in creating an ATT may be very disappointing to them; they are not going to go away, or relent in the pursuit of their objectives.

But in their pursuit, [so far] they are not going to have the new weapon of an ATT. This is good news for human rights worldwide, especially for the fundamental human right of self-defense against violent criminals, and against violent criminal tyrannical governments.

-- David Kopel, volokh.com/2012/07/27

Most NY crime guns come from within NY

ALBANY, N.Y. — Most guns recovered from New York crimes last year originated in states with fewer legal restrictions, though the largest single source remains New York itself, where 1,595 were first purchased, federal data show.

ATF officials say the report shows that New York's restrictive gun laws have made it a "market state" for guns from elsewhere.

"We call New York a market state because it's so highly regulated that it's easier to get a gun in another state and bring it back," said ATF group supervisor Robert Cucinelli.

New York's handgun license applications can take six months. In addition, New York City requires a special permit to own a rifle or shotgun, and its pistol permits expire every three years.

"There certainly is an underground market," State Police Maj. Wayne Olson said. It's fed by out-of-state guns, including "straw purchases" by buyers fronting for others, by lost or stolen guns and even some falsely reported as stolen, he said.

"There's a split in the state. Crime guns from upstate tend to come from the state. Crime guns in the city tend to come from states along the Atlantic Seaboard," said Richard Aborn, president of the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City, an advocate of tougher federal gun laws.

"The crime that's actually occurring in the store is lying on the form," Cucinelli said. "When you buy a gun you have to pass a background check and fill out the form. Is this gun for you? He checks off yes. If he checks no, he can't transfer that gun."

So-called "lying and buying" is a federal felony that can lead to up to five years in prison.

Cucinelli said there are also sales at gun shows or flea markets in other states where private individuals, who are not licensed gun dealers, can legally sell them without instant background checks on the buyer.

-- AP, "Federal report tracks NY crime guns to Virginia,...." July 30, 2012

Chickens home to roost in Soc. Sec. Ponzi scheme

WASHINGTON (AP) -

People retiring today are the first generation of workers who have paid more in Social Security taxes than they will receive in benefits. It's a historic shift that will only get worse for future retirees.

Previous generations got a much better bargain, mainly because payroll taxes were very low when Social Security was enacted in the 1930s.

If you retired in 1960, you could expect to get back seven times more in benefits than you paid in Social Security taxes, and more if you were a low-income worker, as long you made it to age 78 for men and 81 for women.

As recently as 1985, workers at every income level could retire and expect to get more in benefits than they paid in Social Security taxes, though they didn't do quite as well as their parents and grandparents.

Not anymore.

A married couple retiring last year after both spouses earned average lifetime wages paid about \$598,000 in Social Security taxes. They can expect to collect about \$556,000 in benefits, if the man lives to 82 and the woman lives to 85, according to a 2011 study by the Urban Institute, a Washington think tank.

-- "Is Social Security still a good deal for workers?", AP August 5, 2012

Criminalizing Dissent

By Chris Hedges

In May, Judge Katherine Forrest issued a temporary injunction invalidating Section 1021 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) as a violation of the First and Fifth amendments. Forrest will decide within a couple of weeks whether she will make the injunction permanent.

This section of the NDAA, signed into law by Obama on Dec. 31, 2011, obliterates some of our most important constitutional protections. It authorizes the executive branch to order the military to seize U.S. citizens deemed to be terrorists or associated with terrorists. Those taken into

custody by the military, which becomes under the NDAA a domestic law enforcement agency, can be denied due process and habeas corpus and held indefinitely in military facilities. Any activist or dissident, whose rights were once protected under the First Amendment, can be threatened under this law with indefinite incarceration in military prisons, including our offshore penal colonies. The very name of the law itself - the Homeland Battlefield Bill - suggests the totalitarian credo of endless war waged against enemies within "the homeland" as well as those abroad.

The judge cited the forced internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II as a precedent she did not want to follow. Forrest read to the courtroom a dissenting opinion by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson in *Korematsu v. United States*, a ruling that authorized the detention of some 110,000 Japanese-Americans in government "relocation camps."

"[E]ven if they were permissible military procedures, I deny that it follows that they are constitutional," Jackson wrote in his 1944 dissent. "If, as the Court holds, it does follow, then we may as well say that any military order will be constitutional, and have done with it."

Barack Obama's administration has appealed Judge Forrest's temporary injunction. It is a stunning admission by this president that he will do nothing to protect our constitutional rights. The administration's added failure to restore habeas corpus, its use of the Espionage Act to silence government whistle-blowers, its support of the FISA Amendment Act - which permits warrantless wiretapping, monitoring and eavesdropping on U.S. citizens - and its ordering of the assassination of U.S. citizens under the 2001 Authorization to Use Military Force, or AUMF, is a signal that for all his rhetoric, Obama, like his Republican rivals, is determined to remove every impediment to the unchecked power of the security and surveillance state.

Forrest quoted Alexander Hamilton, who argued that judges must place "the power of the people" over legislative will.

"Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the judicial to the legislative power," Hamilton, writing under the pseudonym Publius, said in *Federalist* No. 78. "It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both; and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in

opposition to that of the people, declared in the Constitution, the judges ought to be governed by the latter rather than the former. They ought to regulate their decisions by the fundamental laws, rather than by those which are not fundamental."

Contrast this crucial debate in a federal court with the empty campaign rhetoric and chatter that saturate the airwaves. The cant of our political theater, the ridiculous obsessions over vice presidential picks or celebrity gossip that dominate the news industry, effectively masks the march toward corporate totalitarianism. -- readersupportednews.org 13 Aug 12

DHS Buys 450 million Rounds of Ammo

By Sarah Connor, Human Resistance Leader

In March 2012 the *Wall Street Journal* announced that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) awarded a contract for 450 million rounds of hollow point ammunition.

In the wake of the revelation the Internet was ablaze in speculation. If the war in Iraq used only 66 million rounds per year, why was DHS seeking to buy so much ammo?

An Internet blog claimed to have the answer: "DHS is preparing for Massive Civil War" - due to an impending collapse of the US dollar and the subsequent hyperinflation that would be inflicted on a nation of 313 million people, a significant portion of whom are armed.

The feds are preparing for a massive uprising of armed Americans. DHS is ready to fight the American people, fulfilling the purpose for which the Department was created after the false flag event of 9/11: to prevent a second American revolution from ever occurring.

-- The Sovereign July 2012

Folks and Stuff

The folks who are getting the free stuff don't like the folks who are paying for the free stuff, even though the folks who are paying for the free stuff can't afford to pay for both the free stuff and their own stuff anymore.

So the folks who are paying for the free stuff want the free stuff to stop.

But the folks forcing folks to pay for the free stuff have told the folks getting the free stuff that the folks paying for the free stuff are selfish and prejudiced.

So the folks who are getting the free stuff are angry at the folks who are paying for the free stuff in the first place.

Now it's almost to the point that there are more folks getting free stuff than there are folks paying for the free stuff.

Folks say democracies commit financial suicide eventually. How's that?

The folks getting the free stuff figured out they could get free stuff by electing folks who force other folks to give them free stuff -- until there's nothing left.

Soldier of the future

Tomorrow's soldiers could be able to run at Olympic speeds and go for days without food or sleep, if new research into gene manipulation is successful.

According to the U.S. Army's plans, their soldiers will be able to carry huge weights, live off their fat stores for extended periods and even regrow limbs blown apart by bombs.

The plans were revealed by novelist Simon Conway, who was granted behind-the-scenes access to the Pentagon's high-tech Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency.

With a budget of almost \$2billion a year DARPA, established in 1958 after the USSR's first successful space mission shocked America, has a goal of maintaining U.S. technological dominance on the battlefield.

The agency is working on an exoskeleton that will allow soldiers to run faster and lift prodigious weights. But its most controversial work involves genetic modification that will make soldiers' bodies able to convert fat into energy more efficiently so they are able to go days without eating while in the warzone.

Plump soldiers living just off their own body fat would free up space in their kit bags hitherto used for rations.

Washington's military scientists are also hoping to trigger cells to regrow limbs for soldiers maimed by enemy bombs and landmines.

With well-documented cases already of young children regrowing fingers severed in accidents, DARPA is trying to identify the physiological trigger and activate it in adults.

One area of success has been in shutting off the trigger of sleep. A drug tested on U.S. Army helicopter pilots enabled them to stay up longer

than 40 hours, with their levels of concentration actually improving after nearly two days without rest.

It is hoped to replace the amphetamine-based drugs that have previously been used to keep servicemen alert during operations.

They had been blamed for errors in judgement that led to many so-called incidents of friendly fire.

Professor Joel Garreau of Arizona University confirmed that DARPA was experimenting with turning fat into energy. 'Finding that metabolic switch would wipe out the £40billion diet industry in a heartbeat,' he added.

The plans are just the latest seemingly madcap schemes dreamed up by DARPA.

Earlier this year it emerged that the agency was funding research into contact lens-mounted displays that could focus information from drones and satellites directly into soldiers' eyeballs, and helmets that could enable troops to communicate telepathically.

DARPA projects are often oddball technology, but it also has a history of far-sighted technological leaps. It invented the first virtual reality devices, and one of the precursors of the modern internet.

-- www.dailymail.co.uk 13 August 2012

Top Transhumanism CEO: AI Singularity Will Go "Very Badly for Humans"

By Anthony Gucciardi

Promises of 'immortality' and a disease-free life have led many individuals to long for the hope of artificial intelligence (AI) and what is known as Singularity. It is essentially a merging of man and machine, the development of a 'new species' — a 'borg' of sorts. The subject recently made headlines when a major Russian scientist promised Singularity to the wealthy elite and ruling class by 2045 through the 2045 program, with artificial bodies available as early as 2015.

On the surface it may sound enticing to those who are willing to trust their new artificial brains and bodies hooked up to a massive super computer that has control over their every action (through the utilization of RFID-like chips).

Even the CEO of the Singularity Institute for Artificial Intelligence admits, however, that the boom in artificial intelligence leading up to Singularity will **not** go very well for humans. Not only is the research on AI outpacing the safety research that is intended to keep it in check, but that Singularity would actually make

humans the 'prey' of sorts to the 'super-human' AI.

In an open Q&A on the community website Reddit, CEO Luke Muehlhauser explains that the superhuman **AI would end up 'optimizing' the entire globe and starving resources from humans.** In other words, the AI would suppress humans similar to the premise of iRobot or other similar works. This is particularly interesting when considering that artificial bodies and brains have been promised first to the wealthy elite by the 2045 program creator, allowing world rulers and the financial elite to achieve 'immortality' and subsequently a never-ending rule over the humans of the world.

Muehlhauser explains how humans would become a 'prey' to the ruthless 'super-human' AI with the completion of Singularity: "Unfortunately, the singularity may not be what you're hoping for. By default the singularity (intelligence explosion) will go very badly for humans... so by default superhuman **Als will end up optimizing the world around us for something other than what we want, and using up all our resources to do so.**"

The concerns echo those put forth by researchers and analysts who have been following the concept of Singularity for decades. With the ultimate goal of linking all hyper-intelligent androids into a 'cognitive network' of sorts and eventually even forfeiting physical bodies, it's clear that the Singularity movement even has its top supporters openly speaking out against it in many regards. What's even more clear, however, is the fact that AI Singularity has no place for humankind — not even in a form of co-existence.

-- naturalsociety.com Aug. 15, 2012

Maryland prefers its "public policy" over the Second Amendment

This case involves a challenge to the constitutionality of the State of Maryland's handgun permit statute and regulatory scheme. *Woollard v. Marcus Brown*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 28498 (D. Md. Mar. 2,

2012). Maryland "prohibits the carrying of a handgun outside the home, openly or concealed, without a permit." Maryland requires an applicant for a license to carry a handgun to demonstrate that he has "good and substantial reason" to carry a handgun. The Secretary of the Maryland State Police, acting through the Handgun Permit Unit, may deny a license if he determines that the applicant has not met that standard.

Plaintiff Woollard previously had been granted a handgun carry permit. Unable to produce evidence of a current threat, Woollard's request for a renewal of the permit was denied. Woollard challenged the Maryland license requirement, arguing that the "good and substantial reason" requirement violates the Second Amendment right to "keep and bear arms." The U.S. district court found the "Maryland's requirement ... is insufficiently tailored to the State's interest in public safety and crime prevention" and "impermissibly infringes the right to keep and bear arms, guaranteed by the Second Amendment." Subsequently, the district court denied a stay pending appeal.

The Maryland statute must be struck down as unconstitutional. No matter how "compelling" an interest Maryland believes that it may have in restricting the number of handguns that are in the possession of American citizens within its borders, it has been expressly prohibited from making that "public policy" choice. To allow it to do so would override the constitutional provision drafted by the founders and ratified by the people. It is not up to this court to reconsider that decision through any type of judicially-devised interest balancing test. Rather, this court's sole responsibility is to enforce the constitutional text as embodying the collective will of the sovereign American people. See *Marbury*, 5 U.S. at 176-77....

For the reasons stated herein, the decision of the district court to overturn the Maryland statutory scheme should be affirmed without reference to any judicial balancing or standard of review, but based on the

text of the Second Amendment.

-- Appeal 12-1437 filed 8/6/2012 in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

Please pass along my sincere thanks to the "generous Navy vet" for my subscription – don't know if you recall it but I too am ex-Navy ('66-'72). The newsletter goes to at least 8 other vets – even a couple of jar heads – in here, plus a civilian or two. We *all* thank you very much.

I've got money for a sub – but can't come up with cash or M.O. – was using the stamps until the mail room policy changed. (Still trying to find a solution to that though.)

Please pass on my "thank you" to my fellow sailor – it is appreciated!

Sincerely,
Texas prisoner

Dr. Edwin Vieira's Latest Book

My *magnum opus* on the Militia, *The Sword and Sovereignty: The Constitutional Principles of "the Militia of the several States"*, has reached the final pre-publication stage. This 2,000 page book is a comprehensive study of the constitutional and statutory history of the Militia, with special emphasis on the role of the Militia as the ultimate institutions through which We the People provide, *or withhold*, "the consent of the governed".

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